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## NEWS RELEASE

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CASE NUMBER: DPS04-023360

## UNTIMELY DEATH

On this date at approximately 2120 hours Troop H personnel and members of the Central District Major Crime Squad responded to the Hartford Superior Court Lock-up located at 101 Lafayette Street Hartford for a report of an untimely death. Investigation has revealed that an inmate identified as: Thomes, Brian (dob: 06/16/78) of LKA: 39 Rustic Lane South Windsor, CT was located alone in his cell unconscious and unresponsive. He was immediately transported to Hartford Hospital via ambulance and was pronounced dead at approximately 2111 hours by Hospital medical personnel.

Thomes was in the custody of the State of CT Judicial Marshals after having been arrested by the Hartford Police Department for Assault, Threatening and BOP charges. He was being held on a \$10,000.00 bond.

A full investigation to ascertain the facts and circumstances surrounding this death is being conducted by the Connecticut State Police, however there does not appear to be any suspicious activity or foul play.

The deceased was transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Farmington, where an autopsy will be performed to determine the cause and manner of death.

Investigation is continuing.

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